

**First Affair Tonight
In School Auditorium**

For the first time, the school auditorium at the 186th Street school will be used for a Christmas program tonight at 7:30 p.m.

The junior and senior choruses will sing songs and the band will also be on the program. This will be the first time the choruses will wear the new robes that have been the major project of the room mothers for the last few weeks.

Bill of Rights week will be observed at the meeting. A suggestion box will be available for the names of possible recipients for the honorary life membership award. Mrs. Hugh Allen, chairman, hopes that all interested parties will submit names to help the committee make a proper choice.

A social hour and refreshments will follow the close of the meeting.

NATURE HATH appointed the twilight as a bridge, to pass us out of night into day.—George Fuller.

**All Nations Festival
Tonight at YWCA**

Christa Volkman, 16, American Field service exchange student from Vienna, Austria, will be introduced tonight at the YWCA, 2320 W. Carson, during the All Nations Christmas festival sponsored by the World Fellowship committee.

Christa will return to her native country in the summer, 1957, after attending her senior year at North Torrance high. "Everyone treats me so nice at school and I always feel welcome," she exclaimed. She is living with the principal and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Harter, 3425 W. 226th St.

In fact, Christa's warm personality and interest in dramatics led to her selection as student director for the senior play in February, "Dear Ruth." Her hobbies are swimming and skating and she is an avid opera fan. When she returns to Vienna she will attend the University there and major in languages and journalism.

Mrs. G. C. Van Deventer will

introduce Christa and another foreign exchange student from Holland, Carl Hoybye.

The national candlelight service with the theme, "Everywhere Christmas," will be presented by the Y-Teens and Miss Jeannette Patchen, Harbor YWCA, will speak on YW work in Mexico. She is responsible for starting the Y in Guadalajara, Mexico.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hosking, chairman, invites the public to attend, in costume, if possible, and participate in the varied and interesting program.

The international aspect of the organization is clearly stated in the Y-Teen goal: "To grow as a person, to grow in friendship with people of all races and religions, to grow in the knowledge and love of God." It is through such activities as the All Nations festival that these aims can be understood and more fully realized.

Y-Teen groups participating in the planning and decorating are: Deltas, Christmas tree decoration; Phi Dels, Christmas caroling; HI-Toppers, decorating the lobby; Betas, decorating the large window; and the Junior Torretes, in charge of the children's Christmas caroling.

The international flavor of the occasion will also be shown in the refreshments which include old English Wassail bowl punch, and the breaking of the traditional Pinata filled with presents.



Exchange Student Welcomed

Christa Volkman, (left) in her native Viennese costume, is greeted by Edith Simplar (center) and Mrs. G. C. Van Deventer prior to the All Nations Festival tonight at the YWCA, 2320 W. Carson.

**Geraldine Wood
To Marry Soon**

Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Parrish, 405 via Linda Vista, Hollywood Riviera, announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter Geraldine Wood to James Garey Perkins of Barstow.

Miss Wood is a graduate of the University of Southern California School of Commerce and received her teachers credentials from Long Beach State College. While at USC she was a member of Alpha Chi Omega and Gamma Alpha Chi, retailing sorority. She taught one

and a half years at Riviera elementary school, for the past two years she has been associated with her parents in the stationery business.

The future bridegroom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Olfred Leroy Perkins of Bakersfield, attended Bakersfield high school and the California Institute of Technology at San Luis Obispo.

The couple plan to be married January 20.

**School Will
Present Yule
Show Tonight**

R. K. Petrat, principal, reported at The Carl Steele PTA board meeting December 6, that many students have been working hard to prepare an outstanding musical program for the Christmas meeting, December 13 at 7:30 p.m. He requested that parents please bring canned goods at this time to help fill baskets for needy families in the area.

President, Mrs. J. R. Erving, discussed the scholarship fund, Dental health and the possibilities of having fluoridation in Torrance water. Louis Bisou, legislative chairman, gave his report on PTA incorporation and the board voted to incorporate.

**Celebrate Troop
Birthday Here**

Brownies and Scouts of Troop 1680 celebrated the troop birthday with an ice skating party at the All-Star School of Skating, Friday, November 23.

Brownies attending were: Judy Elgersma, Sheila Jones, Kathleen Kelley, Judy Odenthal, Kristin Pederson, Patty Shrigley and Karen Soils. Girl Scouts who attended were: Marilyn Block, Julie Freeman, Coleen Kelley, Susan Shimmin, Sharon Stout, Pamela Struble, and Karen Warner. Co-leaders, Mrs. Zetta Pederson and Mrs. Dorothy Stout accompanied the girls.

**PTA Executive
Board Meets**

Mrs. Leland Van Buren presided at the December meeting of the executive board of the Harbor City Parent Teacher association. Mrs. Louis Stango led the flag salute.

Mrs. Dallas Wallick was ratified as Record Book chairman to replace Mrs. Troy Collum. It was also voted that two baskets be presented to needy families in the area.

The school playground will be open during the holidays, and Board members will provide refreshments for a playground party.

Students will present a musical program for the monthly PTA meeting in the school auditorium, Thursday, December 13 at 1 p.m. The musical portion of the program will be under the direction of teachers Mrs. Bess Selk, and Mrs. Vera Newman.



January Wedding

Miss Geraldine Wood, Hollywood Riviera, will marry James Garey Perkins, Barstow, on January 20. The engagement was recently announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Parrish.—Seeman Photo.

**Lomita Amaranths
Meet Tonight for
Christmas Party**

Officers and members of Lomita Court No. 61, Order of Amaranth will meet tonight at the Torrance Masonic temple. After the meeting the traditional Christmas party, will be held and gifts will be exchanged.

Royal Matron Gladys Motherwell and Royal Patron Clyde Satterfield invite all members of the Order to attend and enjoy the party arranged by Honored

A RESOLUTION to keep: rise above little things.—John Burroughs.

Lady Dorothy Davis and Honored Lady Grace Herd, hostesses. The Royal Matron also reminds all members to attend the dance and party scheduled Saturday, December 15 at the temple.

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